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Mr. Roman Gastesi
Monroe County Administrator
1100 Simonton Street
Key West, FL 33040

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Mr. Gastesi:

Beginning mid April 2009, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Six, will begin a new project on U.S. 1/ Overseas Highway/ State Road (S.R.) 5 from South Roosevelt Boulevard, Mile Marker (MM) 3.937, to Cross Street, MM 4.522. Construction is expected to last approximately four months and cost an estimated \$1 million. Please note that this schedule is tentative and subject to change due to weather and/or other unforeseen circumstances.

The intent of the project is to enhance the area by repaving the roadway, minor roadway widening at various locations, upgrading the drainage system and installing new sod along the length of the project.

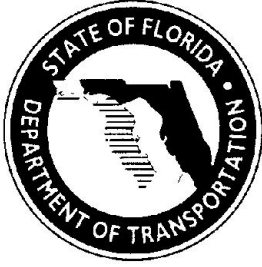
In order to perform this work safely, it will be necessary to close travel lanes at various times and locations. However, at least two travel lanes will remain open during construction. Construction will occur during non-event days and weekends, and will be phased to minimize construction-related impacts. The department will implement a detailed Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan to maintain traffic flow during construction and project personnel will make every effort to minimize impacts while this project is underway.

As part of our commitment to inform the public about projects that will benefit their community, the enclosed fact sheet will be distributed throughout the project area. This fact sheet contains valuable information, including the scope of work, construction schedule and contact information. Please feel free to share this with members of your staff and anyone else whom you feel might benefit from this information.

I want to thank you in advance for your patience and support as we strive to meet the transportation needs of your community. Should you have any questions regarding this project, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 305-470-5349.

Sincerely,

Maribel Lena
Public Information Officer
FDOT District Six – Construction Department
Enclosure



PROJECT FACT SHEET

Along U.S. 1/Overseas Highway from S. Roosevelt Blvd. to Cross St.

FIN. No.: 419851-1-52-01

Beginning mid April 2009, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Six, will begin a new project on U.S.1/ Overseas Highway/ State Road (S.R.) 5 (FIN: 419851-1-52-01) from South Roosevelt Blvd., Mile Marker (MM) 3.937, to Cross Street, Mile Marker 4.522. This project will last approximately four months and cost an estimated \$1 million.

Scope & Purpose of Work

The purpose of this project is to enhance the area by: repaving the roadway, widening the roadway at various locations, upgrading the drainage system and landscaping throughout the project corridor.

Maintenance of Traffic

In order to perform this work safely, it will be necessary to close travel lanes at various times and locations. Lane closures shall occur during non-peak hours and on non-event weekdays, as follows:

- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Monday through Friday
- 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. – Monday through Friday
- 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. – Sunday through Thursday (for two-lane roadway)

During lane closures, motorists will be guided through the work zone by warning signs, trained flagging personnel, barricades, and other channelizing devices.

In addition to the lane closure restriction described above, no lane closures will occur on Saturdays, Sundays, or any holiday(s). No lanes shall be closed on a Friday preceding a Saturday holiday or the Monday following a Sunday Holiday. No existing lanes shall be closed during Keys Special Event Dates as determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may adjust lane closure times if conditions warrant.

Timeline

The project is scheduled to begin Mid April 2009 and is expected to be complete by summer 2009. Please note, however, that this schedule is tentative and could be impacted by bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

Hurricane Evacuation

Should a hurricane or other event make evacuation necessary, the contractor will secure the work zone and make sure that any travel lanes that can be reopened safely are cleared for traffic in order to facilitate evacuation efforts.

Helpful hints to guide you safely through the work zone:

- Give yourself a little extra time to reach your destination.
- Follow all signs posted within the construction zone.
- Obey flagmen and law enforcement officials.
- Never drive or walk into a construction area.

Public Information

The Florida Department of Transportation will make every effort to announce traffic interruptions/lane Closures prior to their occurrence. For more information, please contact the Public Information Specialist, Brandee Sweesy, at 305-797-0962, Project Administrator, Juan Alonso, at 305-743-2574 or FDOT Project Manager, Charlie Phinizy, at 305-289-6107. You may also visit our web site at www.fdotmonroe.com.

